## Invitation for Public Comment on the Reappointment of U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Paul B. Snyder

The current term of the Honorable Paul B. Snyder, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Washington, is due to expire in October 2010. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit is considering the reappointment of the Judge to a new term of office of 14 years. The Court invites comments from the bar and public about Judge Snyder's performance as a Bankruptcy Judge. The duties of a Bankruptcy Judge are specified by statute, and include conducting hearings and trials, making final determinations, and entering orders and judgements.

Members of the bar and public are invited to submit comments concerning Judge Snyder for consideration by the Court of Appeals in determining whether or not to reappoint him. Anonymous responses will <u>not</u> be accepted. However, respondents who do not wish to have their identities disclosed should so indicate in the response, and such requests will be honored.

Comments should be submitted no later than **Monday**, **February 15, 2010**, to the following address:



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